

Application No. 10/575,821
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Reply to Office Action of April 15, 2010

REMARKS

The Office Action mailed April 15, 2010 has been carefully considered by the Applicant. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments to the claims and the remarks that follow.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §112

Claims 1-6 have been rejected for indefiniteness. Claims 1-7 are hereby amended to conform the claims to U.S. standards of practice. The rejections under Section 112 are therefore believed overcome. No new matter is added.

Claim Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 1, 2, 6 and 7 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Herbert et al U.S. Patent No. 6,937,249.

The claim rejections are respectfully traversed. Herbert et al '249 is not prior art against the present application under 35 U.S.C. §102. Specifically, the present application is the U.S. national stage application of International Application No. PCT/FI2004/050148, filed October 13, 2004, which claims priority of Finnish Patent Application No. 20035184, filed October 15, 2003. The earliest filing date of Herbert et al '249 is after the filing date of the noted Finnish priority application.

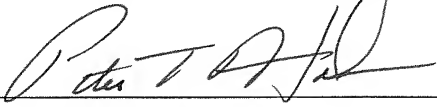
Withdrawal of the rejections under Section 103 is thus appropriate and requested.

Conclusion

The present application is thus believed in condition for allowance. Such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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